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MEMORANDUM FOR: Curator, Historical Intelligence Collection

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

Ed:

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in spotting and sending me books that might interest me. They've been right on the mark. I'm taking the George Marshall and Hackett books on a long trip with me.

There's a bit of foraging you might do for me while I'm away. Can you get a description of what's in the documents on the American Revolution which General Donovan turned over to the Columbia University Library.

Also, can you find a book or two on the land speculation activities of Washington, Burr and others who engaged in that activity as the country developed to the west during the 19th century.

I've become intrigued with the possible value in our effort to get the Freedom of Information Act relief of this quote of Washington:

"The necessity of procuring good intelligence is apparent and need not be further urged--all that remains for me to add is that you keep the whole matter as secret as possible. For upon secrecy success depends in most enterprises of the kind, and for the want of it they are generally defeated, however well planned and promising a favorable issue."

I've thought of doing a piece on George Washington, Intelligence Officer, to promulgate and give weight and attention to this conclusion of his. I'd have a fair beginning by merely collecting the paragraphs in my own book that deal with intelligence. Do you have any ideas on how I could get a little further research accumulated? I have a fast pen!

  
William J. Casey